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NASA RECOGNIZES CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE

NASA recently presented the 2002 George M. Low Awards, the agency's premier quality and performance recognition for prime and subcontractors.

NASA's Deputy Administrator Frederick Gregory presented the awards at the 17th NASA Continual Improvement and Reinvention Conference on Quality Management, at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center, Alexandria, Va. " This year we had a particularly outstanding group of nominees and finalists. The winners can be justly proud of their accomplishments, " Gregory said.

The Low Awards went to Analytical Services & Materials, Inc., Hampton, VA, for Small Business Service and Jacobs Sverdrup, Marshall Space Flight Center Group, Huntsville, Ala. for Large Business Service. ManTech International Corporation, Aerospace Technology Applications Center, Greenbelt, Md., also picked up an award for Large Business Service. RS Information Systems, Inc., Glenn Research Center, Cleveland, Ohio; also received an award for Small Business Service with Williams International, Walled Lake, Mich. taking home the award for Small Business Product.

This annual award program recognizes large and small businesses that demonstrate excellence and outstanding technical and managerial achievements in quality and performance on NASA-related contracts or subcontracts.

The award was named after George M. Low, a NASA leader who was dedicated to quality and excellence. Low's career and achievements spanned many fields: space science, aeronautics, technology, and education. He provided management and direction for the Mercury, Gemini, Apollo, and advanced manned missions programs.

For information about the awards and the conference on the Internet, visit:

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